

# County of Los Angeles CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# (ALL DISTRICTS AFFECTED) (4 VOTES)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- Approve the creation of the Civic Art Special Fund for the Civic Art Program for County Capital Projects.
- Instruct the Auditor-Controller to establish the Civic Art Special Fund and direct the Chief Administrative Office to administer the Civic Art Special Fund in accordance with the County's Civic Art Policy.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the establishment of the Civic Art Special Fund and further allow the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) to administer the Fund in accordance with the Civic Art Policy for County capital projects.

On December 7, 2004, your Board adopted a County policy establishing the Civic Art Program. Under this program, all newly established capital projects and qualified existing capital projects are required to provide art on-site or deposit in lieu fees equal to 1 percent of project design and construction costs into a separate fund for allocation to public art projects and activities.

Establishment of the Civic Art Special Fund is necessary to satisfy this requirement and properly account for the transfer of Civic Art fees from project budgets and allocation of funds to public art projects and activities. Any such transfers to and from the Special Fund

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will be presented to your Board for approval. The CAO will provide a summary of the transfers and allocations to and from the Civic Art Special Fund as part of its year-end closing report.

## Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The intent of the Civic Art Program is to expand the County's cultural resources, enhance the environment, quality of life, property values, and the economy. The Civic Art Program and the recommended action are consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The funds that will be transferred to the Civic Art Special Fund for purposes of the Civic Art Program are currently appropriated in the Capital Projects/Refurbishments Budget. Civic Art Program project and implementation costs will be funded from the Civic Art Special Fund. The CAO will review implementation costs that are planned to be incurred by the Arts Commission to administer the program and will recommend the appropriate funding levels for program administration during the annual budget process.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Civic Art Program was adopted by the Board on December 7, 2004. Under this program, all newly established capital projects and qualified existing capital projects are required to provide art on-site or place in lieu fees equal to 1 percent of project design and construction costs in a separate fund for allocation of public art purposes.

#### IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This action will not have an impact on current services or projects. The Civic Art Policy has been developed in close cooperation with other departments to integrate the policy into the existing capital project process.

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#### CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Auditor-Controller, Chief Administrative Office, and Arts Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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